

# **SD ANIMAL INDUSTRY BOARD**

## **ANNUAL MEETING**

**MONDAY JULY 12, 2004**

1:00 p.m. Jim Leafstedt called the meeting to order. Board members present were Jim Leafstedt, Dr Julie Williams, Cobbie Magness, Bryan Nagel, Lynn Boadwine, and Billy Markwed. Absent was Bill Aeschlimann. AIB staff members present were Dr Sam Holland, Dr Thomas Cline, Dr Charles Seagren, Dr Terry Peterson, Dr Kay Miller, Dr Craig Hanson, Dr Paul Wittenberg and Kristi Effling. Others present were Dennis Darabul-D&J Rendering, Alan Klarenbeek-Klarenbeek & Sons Rendering, Bob Mercer-State Capitol Bureau, Joe Kafka-Associated Press, and Jerry Vogeler-SD Livestock Auction Market Association.

Dr Holland reviewed the annual report with the Board and explained the past year's activities that are documented in the report.

2:00 p.m. A rules hearing was held on Contract Hauler Permits. 12:68:09:02 - The effect of the amended rule is to make regulation changes to clarify the definition of carcass and contract hauler. The reason for this rule change is to make terms consistent throughout this chapter 12:68:09:03.01 - The effect of this new rule is to provide for a system of regulating the hauling of animal carcasses by independent operators contracting with rendering plants. The reason for this new rule is to ensure proper sanitation and recordkeeping is accomplished by parties involved in picking up carcasses from farms and establishments and delivering such to rendering establishments or to collecting stations. The hearing was taped and is on file. Public comment by those present representing Klarenbeek and Sons Rendering reflected they were comfortable with these rules. Magness moved that we adopt changes to the rule as considered. Boadwine seconded. Motion passed.

2:30 p.m. A rules hearing was held on intrastate movement requirement for nondomestic mammals. 12:68:18:07.01 - The effect of this new rule is to provide for identification and tracking of all non-domestic animals permitted for possession in South Dakota. The reason for this new rule is to ensure compliance with inventory and identification reporting requirements on a timely basis. The hearing was taped and is on file. The only public input on this proposed rule was a letter of support from the SD Elk Breeders Association. Nagel moved that we adopt changes to the rule as considered. Boadwine seconded. Motion passed.

Dr Seagren gave a presentation on Tuberculosis. South Dakota has been "TB Free" since 1982. There have been seventeen cases of TB found in slaughter plants in the United States in the past year. Four states have lost their TB-free status - Michigan, Texas, New Mexico and California. One major problem is ineffective tracing of dairy calves. For this reason the Board put a Board Order in place effective February 1, 2004, requiring a negative TB test prior to import for dairy cattle. In FY2004 South Dakota investigated three TB traces. All traces have been completed and cases closed.

Dr Holland updated the Board on brucellosis. There are no known cattle herds infected in the United States with the exception of the elk and buffalo in the Greater Yellowstone Area and one recently discovered cattle herd in Wyoming. An agreement between the South Dakota Animal Industry Board, Triple U Ranch, and the US Department of Agriculture established the ranch as a research-study herd. This agreement provides for continued brucellosis-free classification for South Dakota. The Triple U Buffalo Ranch quarantine was released in February 2004. A one year post-release assurance test is scheduled for February 2005.

Dr Holland gave a presentation on Johne's. USDA made available funds for Johne's Disease testing in response to national requests by the dairy industry and beef industry. South Dakota has available \$271,000 from the USDA and \$60,000 budgeted by the Animal Industry Board to provide for assistance in sampling, developing risk assessment and herd management plans, and laboratory testing for the state's cattle industry.

Dr Hanson gave a presentation on Scrapie. History of scrapie and the signs and symptoms were discussed. The United States currently has seventeen plants participating in the Regulatory Scrapie Slaughter Surveillance program. An update was given on the Regulatory Scrapie Slaughter Surveillance Program, official identification, slaughter positive animals, infected flocks, and a proposed South Dakota Ram Testing Program.

Dr Cline gave a presentation on Avian Influenza. Topics discussed were clinical signs, how avian influenza is spread, prevention, biosecurity, treatment/vaccination, testing, species infected, and current outbreaks.

5:00 p.m. Jim Leafstedt adjourned the meeting.

## **TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2004**

8:30 A.M. Jim Leafstedt called the meeting to order. Board members present were Jim Leafstedt, Dr Julie Williams, Cobbie Magness, Bryan Nagel, Lynn Boadwine, Billy Markwed and Bill Aeschlimann. AIB staff members present were Dr Sam Holland, Dr Thomas Cline, Dr Charles Seagren, Dr Terry Peterson, Dr Kay Miller, Dr Craig Hanson, Dr Paul Wittenberg and Kristi Effling. Others present were Bob Mercer-State Capitol Bureau and Kenny Fox-SD Stockgrowers Association.

Dr Holland noted that this was the time for Board Reorganization and opened the floor for nominations for Chairperson. Aeschlimann moved to nominate Leafstedt as Chairperson. Boadwine seconded. Nagel moved that nomination cease and a unanimous ballot be cast. All in favor. Motion passed.

Dr Holland opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chairperson. Aeschlimann moved to nominate Williams as Vice-Chairperson. Boadwine seconded. Nagel moved that nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast. All in favor. Motion passed.

Jim Leafstedt informed the Board on the USAHA meeting to be held in Greensboro, NC, October 21-28, 2004. Discussion was held on participation from Board members at this meeting. Background was given on the organization and the standing committees. Leafstedt is currently third vice-president of USAHA and will become president in three years. Leafstedt discussed the organization and how recommendations are made to USDA.

Dr Cline gave the Emergency Management update with a presentation. Discussion was held on funding, planning to avert a problem, and how to respond. The Animal Industry Board currently has in place 1) an Animal Health Plan which includes the Foot and Mouth Contingency Plan and the Avian Disease Contingency Plan; 2) Reserve Veterinary Medical Officer Corps which includes training, equipment and exercises; 3) AIB Employees which include training, equipment, and exercises; and 4) Other personnel which include a Contract Media and Educational Materials Coordinator and a Contract Animal Health Emergency Coordinator.

Dr Cline gave a presentation on Trichomoniasis. Currently there are no state laws or regulations for this disease. It is reportable but not quarantinable. Discussion was held on the history and cases in South Dakota since 1996 and education and goals on awareness for industry.

Dr Seagren gave a presentation on Anthrax. South Dakota is one of the recognized areas in the United States where repeat outbreaks occur. There is an effective nonencapsulated Sterne-strain vaccine used for livestock immunization. Discussion was held on confirmed cases in South Dakota since 1993.

Dr Holland updated the Board on BSE. Discussion was held on the history of BSE, where the United States is going with BSE and FDA's intentions implementing further safeguards. BSE continues to be a concern to the cattle industry in the United States. Beginning in June of 2004, USDA announced a plan to test 200,000 to 300,000 target animals over a period of 12 to 18 months to detect the presence of BSE in the United States, and if present to help establish the prevalence.

Dr Holland updated the Board on the National Animal Identification System. USDA is seeking proposals from states to implement a premises ID system. South Dakota's Governor and Secretary of Agriculture are proposing a beef marketing initiative involving verifying the source of origin and also verifying certain production processes. South Dakota applied for federal funding to establish a state program for premises allocation and for tracking livestock consistent with the National Animal Identification System.

Dr Holland updated the Board on Nondomestic Issues. A preliminary meeting was held in Pierre on May 17, 2004, to discuss an application for expansion from the Spirit of the Hills Wildlife Sanctuary. Based on the concerns and information provided at this meeting, no permits for expansion of the Spirit of the Hills Wildlife Sanctuary were granted at that time. Currently compliance with USDA and Animal Industry Board regulations are being addressed.

Dr Holland updated the Board on monkeypox. Monkeypox, introduced in 2003 by imported Gambian rats from Africa, was diagnosed in captive prairie dogs. Restrictions were placed on the capture, selling and movement of prairie dogs. A Turner Enterprise proposed to capture and move 3,000 prairie dogs from Buffalo Gap National Grasslands and Badlands National Park to Turners Ranch on the Bad River. FDA's restrictions on prairie dogs do provide for such translocations when proper FDA permits are received. The Animal Industry Board does not regulate import nor possession of prairie dogs under the laws and regulations pertaining to nondomestic animal control.


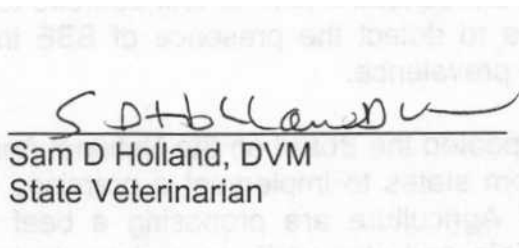
Dr Holland updated the Board on Market/Dealer issues. Discussion was held on Highmore Cattle Auction change of ownership, the South Dakota Livestock Market Association Meeting and intent to draft legislation on auction agencies retaining interest in livestock sold but for which funds have not been collected; improvement plan at Wagner Livestock, and difficulties in retaining inspecting veterinarians for markets.

1:00 p.m. Magness moved the Board go into executive session. Williams seconded. The Board met with the staff veterinarians present at the meeting in executive session to discuss any personnel concerns. The Board met with Dr. Holland following meeting with staff.

3:00 p.m. Magness moved, Markwed seconded, and all approved to end executive session.

The chairman asked for any objection to continuing current state veterinarian's position. With no objection the current appointee remains.

Nagel moved to adjourn the meeting. Williams seconded. Chairman Leafstedt adjourned the meeting.

 Jim Leafstedt, Chairperson Animal Industry Board	 Sam D Holland, DVM State Veterinarian
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